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## **Unsanitary conditions cause suspension of King County dentist**

**OLYMPIA** — The Dental Commission immediately suspended the credential of dentist Charles Pan (DE00007305) based on charges that his dental office is unsanitary and does not allow adequate infection control.

Department of Health investigators allegedly found Pan's office disorganized and unclean and Pan failed to correct the infection-control deficiencies after the initial inspection. He is also charged with failing to properly use protective barriers against infection.

Pan cannot practice dentistry in Washington until these charges resolved. He has twenty days to ask for a hearing to contest these charges.

The documents can be seen online by clicking "[Look up a health care provider](#)" on the Department of Health website; copies can be requested by calling 360-236-4700. That's also the number to call to file complaints against health care providers in Washington.

The Dental Quality Assurance Commission protects public health and safety and promotes the welfare of the state by regulating the competency and quality of health care providers under its authority.

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